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11. On October 15, POLOFF delivered reftel demarche to Ambassador Patrice Cure, Head of the Political Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Cure said that the reasons for ratifying the Montreal Convention seemed logical and convincing. He speculated that either the process of adopting the convention into domestic law or a technical objection by the domestic airline, Air Mauritius, could explain why the convention has yet to be ratified.

12. Cure assured POLOFF that he would inquire with all concerned parties to find out why the convention had not been ratified and pass his findings on to Post. Post will follow up with any pertinent information received in septel response.

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